Tennessee Voices for Children





Tennessee Voices for Children (TVC), Inc., was founded in 1986 at a time when Tennessee needed better mental health services for children and youth. Coordination of efforts seemed to be the key. TVC became a parent support and advocacy organization for families of children and youth with mental, emotional, and behavioral problems. TVC is a statewide, not-for-profit, non-partisan organization of families, professionals, business and community leaders, and government representatives committed to improving and expanding services related to the emotional and behavioral well-being of children.

TVC is recognized at state and national levels as a leading advocacy organization for the development of family driven children's mental health policies and services.

TVC takes an active role in the development of family friendly policies and believes in the importance of Systems of Care (SOC). A System of Care is a network of community services and supports for children and youth with serious mental health needs. Families, youth and providers become partners so each child can function better at home, in school and in the community. TVC's programs include:

- Common Sense Parenting
- Early Childhood Intervention Programs
- Family Connection
- Statewide Family Support Network
- TeenScreen
- Tennessee Respite Network

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Please Consider Giving to Tennessee Voices for Children

To assist us in our continuing efforts to keep our children in their homes, schools and communities.

To expand our Family Support Network

To expand Systems of Care Statewide to allow for an advocate for families in every community in our state. Systems of Care in Tennessee is changing lives, one community, one family and one child at a time.

Tennessee Voices for Children is changing lives. From offering support and advocacy to parents to providing resources for families of children with mental health and emotional issues to using research to help diagnose and treat children with mental health problems- TVC continues to be part of the solutions. <u>You</u> can become part of the solutions too...

Help us increase the number of children getting the help they need to lead happy, successful lives.

For more information about children's mental health:

Call 615/269-7751 or 800/670-9882 (toll-free) or visit us at www.tnvoices.org

"Helping one child may not change the world, but the world of that child will be changed forever."

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